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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
SHINSUKE HARADA, ET AL. : EXAMINER: KIM, JAY C.
SERIAL NO: 10/531,582 :
FILED: OCTOBER 12, 2005 : GROUP ART UNIT: 2815
FOR: SILICON CARBIDE :
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND ITS
MANUFACTURING METHOD

PROVISIONAL ELECTION

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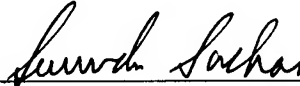
SIR:

In response to the election requirement dated March 10, 2008, Applicants provisionally elect without traverse Species II, identified in the outstanding Official Action as corresponding to Figures 4 and 6(d), for further examination on the merits. Applicants identify Claims 13, 17, 20 and 21 as readable on the elected species. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected species.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that a full examination on the merits of Claims
13, 17, 20 and 21 be conducted.

Respectfully submitted,

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